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Via ECFS  
Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street, S.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to  
47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1**

Dear FCC,

Im writing in support of maintaining competitive, local broadband providers. This is critical for quality of service, affordability, and to keep connectivity equitable as our culture and economy move into the future. My family is very pleased with our local provider which not only provided excellent service, but also contributes greatly to our local economy by providing a wide range of job opportunities. Please allow the small companies to remain competitive!

Thank you.

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